

Nevada Department of Education
Council to Establish Academic Standards
Wednesday, January 10, 2018 12:30 PM

Meeting Locations:

Office	Address	City	Meeting Room
Legislative Council Bureau	401 South Carson St.	Carson City	Room 2134
Grant Sawyer Building	555 E Washington Ave # 5100	Las Vegas (Via Video Conference)	Room 4412

SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

(Video Conferenced)

AGENDA ITEM I- Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call

- Chairwoman Sharon Beatty, called the meeting to order, 1:06 pm.

Council Members in Attendance:

In Las Vegas:

- Sharon Beatty
- Yvette Williams

In Carson:

- Nikki Haag

Dial In:

- David Gardner
- Becky Harris

Department Staff Present:

In Las Vegas:

- Brett Barley Deputy Superintendent for Student Achievement
- Cindy Chang Educations Professional from the Office of Standards and Instructional support
- Mark Newburn Nevada State Board of Education Member
- Fran Bromley-Norwood Clark County High school Educator
- Janie Malone Social Studies Curriculum Coordinator

In Carson:

- Dave Brancamp, Director, Office of Standards and Instructional support
- Sylvia Verdugo, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent's Office

Legal Staff Present:

- C. Wayne Howle Chief Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

AGENDA ITEM II- Public Comment #1

Carson City:

- No public comment.

Las Vegas:

- No public comment

AGENDA ITEM III- Approval of November 8, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Motion:

- Member Williams moved to approve the November 8, 2017 meeting minutes
- Member Hagg seconded
- Motion carried unanimously

No further discussion.

AGENDA ITEM IV - Approval of Flexible Agenda

Motion:

- Member Hagg moved for approval of a flexible agenda
- Member Yvette Williams seconded the motion
- The motion carried unanimously

AGENDA ITEM V- Council Members Comments

- Chairwoman Sharon Beatty recapped her attendance to the Nevada State Board meeting in December.

AGENDA ITEM VI- Department Update

- Brett Barley Deputy Superintendent for Student Achievement went over the Nevada Department of Education's 2017 accomplishments. Including, ESSA (Every Students Succeeds Act), STIP (State Improvement Plan). Mr. Barley also highlighted the Legislative Session, mentioning AB7 and evolution of the High school experience regarding end of course exams.
- Dave Brancamp, Director, Office of Standards and Instructional support gave the Members an update on Nevada Ready Network, reminding the Council of what standards in 2017 had been passed. Mr. Brancamp also updated the Council on what is to be expected in 2018 including all of the Health Standards reexamining including Ethnic and Diversity Standards at the high school level, and the reexamining of the Ed Tech Standards.
 - Member Yvette Williams asked for clarification regarding the new Diploma for Career ready and what the criteria is, also if there have been assessments made to ensure that every child has the opportunity to earn that Diploma no matter where they go to school. Mr. Barley gave a full explanation answering her questions.
 - Chairwoman Beatty asked, a question regarding text books and if there was a text book committee. Dave Brancamp, Director, Office of Standards and Instructional support explaining the processes taken in great depth.

No further discussion

AGENDA ITEM VII- Presentation, discussion of the Draft Standards Review Checklist for Members

- Dave Brancamp, Director, Office of Standards and Instructional support gave a presentation regarding the draft checklist that may be found at the following link [Council to Establish Academic Standards](#)
 - Member Yvette Williams will be contacting Dave Brancamp and Chairwoman Beatty regarding the draft checklist to ensure that they are updated to include equity and diversity.

Motion:

- Member Hagg moved to accept the checklist for review of the Nevada Academic Standards by Council to Establish Academic Standards
- Member Harris seconded
- Member Williams requested to amend the motion to have the Checklist include students of Poverty.
- Member Harris Seconded the Amendment that the language be added to read “Are the Standards designed to be accessible by all students? Example given ELL, Students with disabilities and Students in poverty?” And allow for flexible demonstrations for performance on content
- The Amended Motion carried unanimously

Motion:

- Member Hagg moved to approve the checklist for review of the Nevada Academic Standards by Council to Establish Academic Content Standards.
- Member Harris seconded.
- The Amended Motion carried unanimously

AGENDA ITEM VIII- Presentation, discussion, and possible approval of the Nevada K-12 Computer Science Standards

- Dave Brancamp, Director, Office of Standards and Instructional support gave the members a description of the processes taken to get the standards prepared for the Council. Mr. Brancamp introduced Cindy Chang from the Office of Standards and Instructional; she spoke briefly the development of the Nevada K-12 Computer Science Standards that were reviewed by the Council members asking for possible questions or discussion.
 - Member Williams asked if there is anything in place that requires students to understand know and learn what career paths are available to them. For example what prerequisite classes the students may need to take to attend college and what positions in the community may be available and what skill sets are needed. Cindy Chang & Mark Newburn Nevada State Board of Education Member addressed her concerns and questions.
- Chairwoman Beatty inquired if the 9th -12th and advance courses to be taken care of with one course or over a number of courses. Mark Newburn a Nevada State Board of Education Member & Fran Bromley-Norwood Clark County High school Educator clarified the process.
- Chairwoman Beatty requested more information regarding the Kindergarten standards and the language/computer verbiage. Cindy Chang and Mark Newburn addressed her concerns and questions.

Motion:

- Member Williams moved to accept the proposed 2018 Nevada K-12 Computer Science Standards as presented.
- Member Gardner seconded.
- Motion carried unanimously

AGENDA ITEM IX- Future Agenda Items

- None

AGENDA ITEM X - Public Comment #2

Carson City:

- No public comment.

Las Vegas:

- No Public comment.

AGENDA ITEM XI - Adjournment

- The meeting adjourned at 2:15pm